

Docket No. JIA0122-CIP-CA
US App. No. 10/074,550

REMARKS

Status of the Application

Claim 1 is objected to for informalities. Claims 1, 12, and 13 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. Claims 2-11 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

Applicant has amended the specification to clarify the priority and amended claim 1 to correct minor informality. Applicant also submitted herewith a terminal disclaimer. No new matter adds through the amendments. For the reasons discussed below, withdrawal of the rejections is requested.

Claim Objections

Claim 1 is objected to for informalities.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to correct the informality. Withdrawal of the objection is requested.

Claim Rejections- Double Patenting

Claims 1, 12, and 13 are rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being obvious over claim 26 of patent No. 6,381,293.

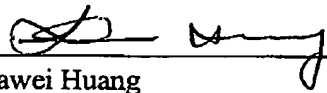
Applicant submitted herewith a terminal disclaimer to obviate the rejection. Withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for allowance. Allowance of this application is earnestly solicited.

Respectively submitted

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